

Frederick County Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes

September 11, 2019

Committee Members	Staff	Guest
Darius Mark, Chair Shayne Boucher, Vice Chair Xavier Bruce Risa Clem Jerry Donald John Fieseler Lib Rood	Joe Kelley DPP Ron Burns DPP	Tim O'Donnell

Chair's Report: Meeting Called to Order at 6:00pm.

The Chair welcome everyone and introduce Tim O'Donnell

Approval of Minutes

Minutes were approved for the July 10th meeting 7-0.

Staff Updates

Joe Kelley updated the committee on working with DPW on Missing Link Sidewalks to be completed in Urbana and Waterside. We continue work on completing Missing Link Program study for all CGA's in the County. We will be hosting a League Cycling Instructor seminar Oct 4th – 6th.

BFB Workshop

The Committee discussed who was coming to BFB Workshop and who else needed to be invited. It was also decided that we would do a run through of our presentation before Oct 1st.

Education & Encouragement Project Summaries

John Fieseler and Jerry Donald reported on the TV/radio component of the Education and Encouragement project. Discussion then followed into how much money that should be spent on radio/tv and the best way to get out our message to the public and who do we want to target. It was determined that in the next couple of meetings the committee needs to come up with a plan and determine a budget to implement. Staff and committee will contact several people and organization to get more information on what can be done with the minimal amount of funding and what type of press releases we can do through the CE office.

Bicycle Sidewalk Use Ordinance Discussion

The staff reported on what other places are doing and several possible recommendations for Frederick County. There was discussion about Frederick County developing an ordinance to allow some use of sidewalks by bicyclist based on age or width of sidewalk. Because of the relative absence of enforcement of this statute and this not being an issue that there is much public concern the committee decided that at this time it was best not to change existing law.

Bikeways Signage

Shayne reported back that he had contacted the Frederick Pedalers and others in the local biking community. It was noted that Old Frederick Road would be a top priority for signage along with Ballenger Creek Pike and New Design Road south of English Muffin Way. Other committee members recommended portion of Devilbiss Bridge Road, Stottlemeyer, Hamburg and Gambrill Park roads as well. The committee stated that Maryland State routes 77, 550 and 17 where they do not have wide shoulder should also be signed. It was also noted that the Maryland approved "Bicyclist May Use Full Lanes" sign in accordance with section 3.4 of the Maryland Bicycle Policy & Design Guidelines should be used.

Committee Member Announcements

Darius Mark announced that Gran Fondo Maryland will be held in Frederick on September 22 and there will be a national Mt Bike race for High School students held in Brunswick on the weekend of Oct 19th 20th. Shayne had further updates on the LCI seminar on Oct 4th-6th

Meeting was adjourn at 7:43pm